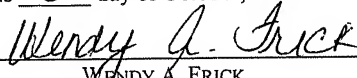


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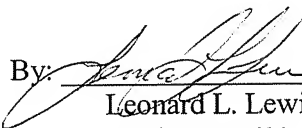
Dear Sirs:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 15, 2006, Group I, including Claims 1-25 and 43-65 and the species embodied in Figure 2 are elected without traverse. It is believed that claims 1, 5-25 and 43-65 read on the elected species.

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